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SUBJECT: ABDUCTION OF CISCO EMPLOYEES

REF: ADDIS ABABA 8401

1. WE WISH TO BE SURE THAT ADDRESSEE POSTS AND EPMG UNDER-
STAND THAT USG WILL MAKE NO PUBLIC REITERATION OF NO RANSOM
POLICY SO LONG AS INCIDENT LASTS. IF ASKED BY MEDIA WHAT
OUR POLICY IS WITH REGARD TO RANSOM DEPARTMENT WILL RESPOND
THAT "OUR POLICY IS WELL KNOWN" AND WILL NOT ELABORATE.
THIS POSITION WAS INCLUDED IN PRESS GUIDANCE (LAST Q AND A)
FURNISHED TO DEPARTMENT'S SPOKESMAN MONDAY JULY 15 AND RE-
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PEATED TO POSTS BY SEPTTEL.

2. IN GENERAL, AS REGARDS HANDLING OF PRESS, WE WISH RE-ITERATE NEED FOR CLOSE COORDINATION BETWEEN DEPARTMENT AND ADDIS AND ASMARA. YOU SHOULD BE AWARE DEPARTMENT IS IN TOUCH WITH CISCO HEADQUARTERS IN U.S. AND THAT CISCO OFFICIALS HAVE AGREED TO COORDINATE ANY PRESS STATEMENTS WITH STATE. DEPARTMENT HAS UNDERTAKEN TO KEEP CISCO INFORMED AS TO LINE WE ARE TAKING WITH THE PRESS. WE HAVE EMPHASIZED TO CISCO THAT A PRIMARY CONCERN IN OUR RELATION WITH PRESS IS TO AVOID ANY STATEMENT WHICH MIGHT INCREASE THE DANGER TO WHICH HOSTAGES ARE ALREADY EXPOSED.

3. DEPARTMENT IS NOW IN TOUCH WITH PARENTS OF HARREL AND CAMPBELL.

4. DEPARTMENT REQUESTS THAT IN ADDITION TO COORDINATION ON PRESS MATTERS, THAT PROPOSED DEMARCHES TO FOREIGN OFFICE OR TO AUTHORITIES IN ASMARA BY ACTION ADDRESSEES IN CONNECTION WITH CASE WILL, WHENEVER POSSIBLE, BE CABLED TO DEPARTMENT IN TIME FOR COMMENT. INGERSOLL

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